Fremont Open Space Committee Meeting Wednesday July 22, 2009 MINUTES Approved 11/03/2009

Attendance: Janice O'Brien, Jack Karcz, Tina Sturdivant, Brett Hunter - Selectman, Jack Downing - Zoning Board, Dennis Howland, Aja Mahony, Jean Ragonese.

Meeting began at 7:05 PM.

Mr. Karcz made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from May 13, 2009 and June 3, 2009. Mrs. O'Brien seconded the motion. The vote was approved.

David West and Julie LaBranche from Rockingham Planning Commission

Mr. West met with the Committee for Phase 3 the CTAP Open Space Plan. He brought a map detailing the Parcel Values determined at the previous meeting for the Open Space Plan. Mr. West also handed out a spreadsheet containing 100 parcels of land

Mr. West recommended that the committee brainstorm conservation strategies: The Committee members were asked to review the map and spreadsheet and classify each parcel as the mean of which it can be protected. Some suggestions for protection are Ownership interest (conservation easement, Regulatory protections (as in wetland aquifer protection etc.) Management agreement (public park, power lines), or voluntary agreement (homeowner agrees to follow best management practices for the parcel of land). The parcels were also ranked according to high or low priority for conservation interest.

The Committee went through the spreadsheet and had a discussion about the parcels individually and how to try and preserve the parcel as part of the greenway.

There was a general discussion about the contents of the final report, recommendations and a new map to go along with it.

Ms. LaBranche will draft the report and send out to all board members to review and comment on. She will meet with the committee on September 1, 2009 to go over the final report and map.

Mr. West and Ms. LaBranche left the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Mr. Hunter and Ms. Mahony left the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Property Evaluation

Property Evaluation Property labeled H is 56 acres in size. The remaining Committee members ranked the aforementioned property using the Open Space Criteria Scoring Form.

Property H scored 53 points out of a possible 100. Mrs. O'Brien made the motion to recommend the following property to the Conservation Commission for consideration of appraisal. The motion was seconded by Mr. Downing. All members were in favor of the recommendation.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday September 1, 2009 at 7:00 on the main floor of Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Karcz and seconded by Mr Howland.

The meeting ended at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Sturdivant